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Merging Waters Weekly Message JANUARY 25, 2023

Date	Themes/ Notes	location
22-Jan-23	Third after Epiphany fishers of men	Maple
29-Jan-23	Fourth after Epiphany fifth Sunday - cluster service chili lunch	Roxboro United Church, 116 Rue Cartier, Roxboro, QC H8Y 1G8
05-Feb-23	Fifth after Epiphany Greatness of Heart Spare Parts	Maple
12-Feb-23	Sixth after Epiphany "From the heart"	Fieldfare

Please consult the website for online worship links:

www.mergingwaters.ca/Worship-online

Download the Zoom App at <https://zoom.us/download>

Boutique 24 at Union Church – Open now!!

Thursdays from 11:30 to 3:30

The Boutique is in need of winter clothing and children's toys..

Help is needed with Sunday morning coffee and in Boutique 24 on Thursdays from 11:30 to 3:30. Show a little kindness.

Contact June at: june5054@videotron.ca

Boutique 24 will be open January 20th from 6:00pm to 9:00pm during the Coffee House

The Whittall' s have been following the activities at Merging Waters via the YouTube channel. It's amazing how technology has helped us keep in touch. As 2023 begins please know that if you find yourselves in Prince Edward County do let us know so we can catch up with one another.

19 Lake St. Picton Ontario K0K2T0

613 476 8328

Keith and Victoria

MEALS ON WHEELS - SAINT ANNE'S

Has openings for clients. Subsidies are available when required.

Contact: Jane Montgomery at 514-457-2489

Merging Waters -- A Community That Cares

Our Pastoral Care team is there to help you with your concerns.

- Ivy Lewis (Union Pastoral Care Chair): lewisir@hotmail.com
- Diane Nener: dianenener@icloud.com; & Wendy Hamel: apandwh58@gmail.com
(Beaurepaire United team)

We also have a Prayer Circle of members from both Union and Beaurepaire.

If you have prayer requests, please contact Ivy at lewisir@hotmail.com

Because we want to stay in touch

Please remember to update your info with the office in the event that you move or change your email or phone number.

Contact the office: mergingwaters@bellnet.ca (514) 457-5819 or (514) 695-5448

Support Ukrainians through the United Church of Canada

Online secure donation page:

<https://united-church.ca/social-action/act-now/conflict-ukraine>

Phone 416-231-5931 or toll-free 1-800-268-3781 ext. 2738 and use your Visa or MasterCard.

Send a cheque or money order with "Emergency Response—Ukraine" on the face of your cheque, to:

The United Church of Canada Philanthropy Unit - Emergency Response 3250 Bloor Street West, Suite 200 Toronto, ON M8X 2Y4

Interment Lots Available

Union Church has two double interment lots for sale. All four lots are located side-by-side in the Garden of the Last Supper in Rideau Memorial Gardens, boulevard des Sources, Dollard-des-Ormeaux, Quebec. Each lot can accommodate either one casket and two cremated remains or no caskets and three cremated remains. Rideau Memorial Gardens sell similar lots for \$4500 plus taxes. Your cost to purchase from Union Church would be \$4,000 for one lot or \$7,500 for a double lot. Enquiries: Jack Brown, bshouse@bellnet.ca, (450)455-2764

UNITED CHURCH PUBLICATIONS

The following publications tell of all the wonderful things the United Church is involved in, keeping us up-to-date on issues that we need to be aware of. Easy to subscribe and unsubscribe at

<https://united-church.ca/e-newsletters>

Affirm United/S'affirmer Ensemble

Works for the full inclusion of people of all gender identities and sexual orientations in the United Church of Canada and society.

<https://us9.campaign-archive.com/home/?u=cc608c73f94333ec58cfbdf2&id=e54a30cf41>

Broadview Magazine

Spirituality, Justice and Ethical Living | North America's oldest continuously published magazine.

<https://us11.campaign-archive.com/home/?u=e7bb561f7f940952a3aaf474c&id=392a696a06>

For access to Broadview's online articles and book club, you must have a subscription to this award-winning magazine. Contact Ivy Lewis for more information.

United Church of Canada Foundation

<https://us8.campaign-archive.com/home/?u=71eee6dc979019855be36ce97&id=534bed26b3>

United Church of Canada Newsletters

- *God's Mission Our Gifts*: on mission and service
- *E-ssentials*: worship tools
- *Embracing the Spirit*: learning network and innovation fund
- *Living into Right Relations*: reconciliation and indigenous justice news

<https://us3.campaign-archive.com/home/?u=ff2087d5fde243a770ed893a8&id=53a49c9e28>

Nakonha:ka News – Regional Council News

<https://us20.campaign-archive.com/home/?u=cdc0cf1d3f8a8fb5ab6228426&id=09a8a31ab8>

In stories of call and teaching that turn our world view upside down, we glimpse a re-imagined realm and, together and apart, we reflect on our call as individuals and as a community.



The Season after the Epiphany begins with words of affirmation, "You are my beloved." We hear echoes of that blessing in the weeks that follow, in the beginnings of discipleship and the ways we are invited to see ourselves.

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This week, as God inspires new possibility and redemption in prophets and communities, we hear God calling to us individually with our curiosities and as a community eager to imagine change.

Pastor Lisa's midweek musings

Possibilities and Peace to you!

As I begin to right this message this week, I cannot help but still be singing both musical offerings from last week; 'Possibilities' and 'Let Your Light Shine'! Thank you, Michael and the choir!



I delight in the possibilities this new relationship will offer each of us as we get to know each other in faith, compassion, and community. This is a new day and some perhaps different ways of being within this time, and that's ok. I will learn the ways, histories, stories, and legacies of this multipoint community and each of you will come to learn about me, my experiences, stories, and ways of being. In this process, my hope is we will continue to build a community of faith that continues to reflect the United Church of Canada's new vision of Deep Spirituality, Bold Discipleship, Daring Justice

AND equally importantly continue to shape the Mission and Vision of Merging Waters pastoral charge.

This Sunday, our focus scripture is from Matthew 4:12–23. If you have a chance to glance at the text before we meet. Read it and/or better yet, listen to it [here](#) (there is a little button to listen). As the disciples are called to be fishers of people, we are invited to wonder what is calling us and leading us to find a place to dwell and grow in unity with others in our community. I Hope to see you Sunday over on Maple to explore more!

Prayer for the week: O God, surprise us with wonder and joy. Remind us that you are always with us, reminding us to shine with your light and love. Amen.

In peace,

Pastor Lisa
Cell: 514-501-5525
Email: **to come soon** (*in the
meantime, please use the church's
email*)



Pastor Lisa will be available at her Beaurepaire Office on Tuesdays from 10:00am to 2:00pm and at her Union Office on Thursdays from 10:00am to 2:00pm.

On Line Calendar: A reminder that you can check the activities at Merging Waters by accessing the online calendar attached to the Merging Waters Website.

We were saddened to hear of the passing of Rev. Doreen Canavan on Wednesday, January 11th.

We extend our sincere condolences to her sons Michael, Daniel and Robert and their families. Doreen and her husband, Doug (deceased), were active members of Union Church for many years before she was ordained as a United Church Minister and moved to Ontario.

Hope you can join us for the first Coffee House of 2023!

It will be held on **Friday, January 20th** (NOT the last Friday of the month) in Adair Hall. The Opening Act is Steve Bougie (8 p.m.) followed by the Main Act: Rob Lutes and Rob Macdonald at 9 p.m. Tickets will be available in the Sanctuary starting at 7 p.m. (\$10 Admission) Doors to Adair Hall will open at 7:30 p.m. Boutique 24 will be open for your shopping convenience and delicious cakes; tea and coffee will be on sale from TWIGS. More information about the musicians can be found at our web-site: sainteannelbluescafe.wordpress.com

Morin Trio ~ Le Trio Morin

Date: Friday January 27

Time: 7:30 pm

Address: Union Church

24 Maple Avenue

Ste-Anne-de-Bellevue

Admission \$20 at the door (\$10 for students, 16 and under free) - cash or debit/credit

Date : vendredi 27 janvier

Heure : 19h30

Adresse : Église Union

24, avenue Maple

Ste-Anne-de-Bellevue

Admission : 20 \$ à la porte (10 \$ pour les étudiants, 16 ans et moins gratuit) - comptant ou débit/crédit

Come listen to flute, cello, and piano dive into repertoire of the 19th, 20th, and 21st centuries.

Venez écouter la flûte, le violoncelle et le piano plonger dans le répertoire des 19e, 20e et 21e siècles.

Avec de la musique pour trio, duo et solo vous entendrez des styles

Through trio, duo, and solo music, you'll hear familiar European styles, like the Mendelssohn-esque trio by Louise Farrenc, as well as music inspired by Indigenous art and Brazilian culture. This concert explores how these musical voices alternately clash and blend, creating a rich tapestry of style and colour.

For the full program, and complete biographies of the artists, please see our website:

<https://lakeshorechambermusic.org/>

Refreshments will not be offered after the concert on this occasion.

FOR YOUR SAFETY we strongly encourage patrons to wear masks and exercise social distancing.

européens familiers tel que le trio Mendelssohnésque de Louise Farrenc, de même que de la musique inspirée par les cultures indigène et brésilienne. Ce concert explore la façon dont ces voix musicales sont tour à tour en conflit ou en harmonie, créant un tableau riche en style et en couleur.

Pour voir le programme complet, ainsi que les biographies complètes des artistes, consultez notre site Web :

<https://lakeshorechambermusic.org/fr>

Les rafraîchissements ne seront pas offerts après le concert à cette occasion.

POUR VOTRE SÉCURITÉ nous encourageons fortement les membres du public à porter des masques et à pratiquer la distanciation sociale.

Gerald Morin has been a member of the Orchestre symphonique de Montréal since 1993. In addition to his work with the OSM, Gerald teaches privately as his schedule allows. He also performs as a recitalist, most often with his wife - pianist Sylvia Bruns, and has participated in the OSM's chamber music series.

Sylvia Bruns has lived and worked as a pianist in Montreal for the past 30 years. As an accompanist, she has worked at McGill University, Marianopolis College, with the Orchestre Métropolitain, and with various chamber ensembles and soloists. She maintains an active private piano studio in addition to being the Music Director at Christ Church Beaurepaire.

Originally from Montreal, **Stephanie Morin** is Second Flute and Piccolo with the National Arts Centre Orchestra, and teaches at the University of Ottawa. She has also performed with ensembles such as Les Violons du Roy, the Orchestre Métropolitain, and the Orchestre

Gérald Morin est membre de l'Orchestre symphonique de Montréal depuis 1993. En plus de son travail avec l'OSM, il donne des leçons privées comme son horaire le permet. Il performe en tant que chambriste, souvent avec son épouse - la pianiste Sylvia Bruns, et a aussi participé à la série de musique de chambre de l'OSM.

Sylvia Bruns vit et travaille comme pianiste à Montréal depuis 30 ans. Comme accompagnatrice, elle a travaillé avec l'université McGill, le collège Marianopolis, l'Orchestre Métropolitain de même qu'avec différents solistes et ensembles de musique de chambre. Outre son travail en tant que Directeur musical à Christ Church Beaurepaire, elle est très active dans l'enseignement du piano.

Originaire de Montréal, **Stéphanie Morin** est deuxième flûte et piccolo avec l'Orchestre du centre national des arts, et enseigne à l'Université d'Ottawa. Stéphanie a précédemment joué avec des orchestres tels que les Violons du

symphonique de Montréal, and was a prize-winner at the OSM Competition, the Canadian Music Competition, and the Prix d'Europe.

Roy, l'Orchestre métropolitain et l'Orchestre symphonique de Montréal. Elle a gagné des prix au Concours OSM, au Prix d'Europe, et au Concours de musique du Canada

New Year, New Name.

We are starting the year with a grand commemoration of Canada's Alzheimer's Awareness Month, while also officially changing the name of one of our important programs. NOVA West Island is changing the name of our Adult Day Center (ADC) Program to the Senior Activity Program (SAP) to better reflect our services.

Our unique Senior Activity Program now has three components that can be offered to our members and caregivers. The virtual sessions are proposed "à la carte" contingent on our members' availability and interests, the in-home stimulation visits depending on our members' needs and capabilities, as well as our Activity Centers in physical presence based on our inclusion criteria.

These programs are designed for seniors (60+) with neurocognitive impairments, such as Alzheimer's and dementia, who are living at home with their caregivers. Our objective for these programs is to offer a safe, friendly, and stimulating environment while providing well-deserved respite for families and caregivers. Our activities promote socialization, the individual's capabilities, freedom to choose, and independence.

The many activities we design through our Senior Activity Program specifically focus on reminiscing, participating in physical activity, cognitive stimulation, utilizing fine and gross motor skills, and engaging in activities that adhere to one's mind and body. Activities range from baking, cooking, art, discussion, pet therapy, armchair travel, sensory stimulation, and music, to promote socialization and provide a wide range of activities for the whole group to enjoy.

In conclusion, the need for our programs is evident as we currently have 75 members in total enrolled in our Senior Activity Programs: 19 in the In-Home Program, 22 in the Activity Centers, and all 75 that participate in at least one aspect of the Virtual Program.

We trust that these programming changes will propel NOVA West Island into the future as we continually seek to better serve our community.

Here is some additional information about our Activity Centers:

TUESDAY - THURSDAY - FRIDAY

Briarwood Church, 70 Beaconsfield Blvd, Beaconsfield H9W 3Z3

WEDNESDAY

Roxboro Church, 116 Cartier Avenue, Roxboro H8Y 1G8

For more information about our [current or upcoming programming](#), please contact: Ashley-Ann Gordon at [514-695-8335](tel:514-695-8335) x216 or aagordon@novawi.org

Programs & Services

ÉGLISE SUMMERLEA UNITED CHURCH

225 50th Avenue, Lachine, H8T 2V7



Summerlea's Outreach Committee

is having a



Puzzle Sale



Saturday, January 21, 2023

10:00am until 12:00 noon

In St-Andrew's Hall

Le comité Outreach de Summerlea

Organise une Vente de



Casse-tête



Samedi, 21 Janvier, 2023

10h00 à 12h00 midi

À la Salle St-Andrew's

Donations will go to help the local food bank

Les dons iront à la banque alimentaire locale